

REMARKS

Claims 1-11 remain pending in the present application. Claims 12 and 13 have been cancelled.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 12-13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Bass, et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,179,589). Claims 12 and 13 have been cancelled. Reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested.

ALLOWED CLAIMS

Claims 1-11, the only claims left pending in the application, have been allowed.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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